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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Briefing of Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee  
on U.S. Agreements and Commitments Abroad -  
10:00 a.m., Thursday, 23 October 1969

1. Met with Mr. Walter Pincus, Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee on U.S. Agreements and Commitments Abroad staff, in his office at 4304 Senate Office Building, and reviewed the physical security and administrative arrangements for the Director's appearance before the Symington Subcommittee. Mr. Pincus advised that hearings on Laos will run through the week. The Director's appearance has been confirmed for 10:00 a.m., Thursday, 23 October, and in Mr. Pincus' judgment may well run through the afternoon. Senators John Cooper (R., Ky.) and Jacob Javits (R., N.Y.) will be returning sometime next Wednesday from the NATO Parliamentary Conference and undoubtedly will have many questions since they will not have been present for the earlier testimony during the week. He also noted that it can be expected that other members of the full Committee will be present during the Director's appearance.
2. Walter told me it had been agreed in the meeting with Mr. Helms yesterday that copies of the Director's prepared statement would be furnished for each member, the copies to be returned to the Agency at the end of the hearing. It is Walter's estimate that about 15 copies will be necessary for the Committee's use.
3. Mr. Arthur Kuhl, Chief Clerk, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, is in Europe at the NATO Parliamentary Conference and will not be returning until sometime Wednesday, 22 October. It was suggested, therefore, that I deal directly with the Committee reporters as I have done on occasion in the past and complete the necessary arrangements for secure handling of the reporters' notes and the transcript. He advised that a single copy of the transcript would be sufficient. This is the same as was agreed

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in the reporting of the NSA appearance last week. He also requested that the room be swept by the Agency on Thursday morning. The Agency will provide technical security monitoring during the day's session.

4. There will be no public announcement of the Director's appearance prior to the hearing. The Committee schedule will indicate "Executive Agencies" for Thursday. This has been discussed with Chairman Symington and they both feel that even though no announcement is made by the Committee, the Director's appearance before the Committee will be known. There is just no way of disguising the fact in the context of a hearing such as this one.

5. Mr. Pincus advised that he would report the substance of our meeting to Mr. Marcy.

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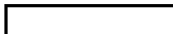


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